

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA**

<b>IN THE MATTER OF THE FILING BY )</b>	<b>)</b>	<b>ORDER APPROVING 2003</b>
<b>MIDAMERICAN ENERGY COMPANY FOR )</b>	<b>)</b>	<b>ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT</b>
<b>APPROVAL OF ITS 2003 ECONOMIC )</b>	<b>)</b>	<b>REPORT AND 2004</b>
<b>DEVELOPMENT REPORT AND ITS 2004 )</b>	<b>)</b>	<b>ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT</b>
<b>ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PLAN )</b>	<b>)</b>	<b>PLAN</b>
	<b>)</b>	<b>NG04-002</b>

On May 12, 2004, the Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received MidAmerican Energy Company's (MidAmerican) 2003 Economic Development Annual Report and proposed Economic Development Plan for 2004. The proposed plan was filed in accordance with the settlement stipulation in NG01-010. Revised 2003 actual expenditures and a 2004 proposed budget were filed on July 20, 2004.

For 2004, MidAmerican's proposed economic development budget is \$116,099. The actual expenditures for the 2003 Economic Development Plan were \$84,487.

At its regularly scheduled August 17, 2004, meeting, the Commission reviewed MidAmerican's 2003 Economic Development Report and Economic Development Plan for 2004. The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapter 49-34A, specifically, SDCL 49-34A-4 and 49-34A-6. After review of the report and plan, the Commission found that they are just and reasonable and voted to approve them. It is therefore

ORDERED, that MidAmerican's 2003 Economic Development Report and Economic Development Plan for 2004 are approved.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 26th day of August, 2004.

<b>CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE</b>
The undersigned hereby certifies that this document has been served today upon all parties of record in this docket, as listed on the docket service list, by facsimile or by first class mail, in properly addressed envelopes, with charges prepaid thereon.
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BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

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ROBERT K. SAHR, Chairman

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GARY HANSON, Commissioner

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JAMES A. BURG, Commissioner